Leicester, Mafotts July 11/57. Dem frend Webb. I am sending with this, among others, a letter to the Corresponding Editor of the Glasgon Biographical Dictionary. I have left it unsealed that you may Lee, if you please, what I have said to him. - Then please seal & transmit it, together with the other how. - I had the pleasure on Theirsday last -heis in Bosten of receiving a letter from Mils Migham, and as the next day your our came to hand, having gine frit to Leicester, I sent forward the letters fers Mr. Chapenan & for P. Pellsbrey, - Thank you for an early copy of the july Advocate, Soufely received, t Carefully periosed. The Address to French of the American Antiblavery Society" is admirable. To I thought, and so said Garrison on reading it. I have expressed my mind about it & in a note to Mess Wighour, which I have been writing . - As to the Vational I votest, 4 it is perfectly true that all past documents of the kind have faller far short of their aun, and by many are doubtless reported as of little use. They are prevented, by the pro-slavery meanings of most of the religious editors in this country from ever getting before their readers. But Jude is equally two of all that appears in the antist: journals, at home talvoad. Self-niterested, mercenay, & brigoted creatures take care that but few shall see what the A.S. people Lay, It that when seen it shall be, in many cases, only with prépirice d'jaundréed eyes. Yet we keep on, as we are

Collectively & midwidely, remenstrating & protesting tarquing t talking, - knowing that Some time & some where some of the shots will bet, that the accumulated force will be felt at length To of these Protests I by the way, the first Autiflower, word I spoke an English ground was to ask for one of them:) they have been smuggled out of sight or Inother up, in times past, and have receive from our people little or no covertery in the shape refly a acknowledgement. Newertheles, I feel u dure they have done no inconsiderable good. An the signers would follow them up by consistently an Steadrly mitthelding from all Slauchdbers & their apol its all religious recognition and union, by refusing absolutely to receive their as Christian men or min in when they tread your sort, and by separating from then whelly in all hissionary of other religious enter the effect of these Protests would be Vastly nicreas and the number of their readers multiplied constraintly, and it would be felt & seen that they ha a real, living power . - I but with regard to the past, must admit that the encouragement to undertake is labour of one of these Protests is not very great, Greats numbers have signed some documents in this country, and I dare say in your too, who have exhausted their anti-Slavery spirit & armony in that are ast, I never have some one act, which surely did set them before the world as either hypocrites or great cowards. But we are not

Thave written so much to E. Wigham about Bazaan matter, that I will not take up that topic with you. -

Speak as I would nich on the imporbant question at if sue - if I may say it is still at if sue - between your country and overs; viz. the African Slave Trade, and the Right of Visit to vepels an the high seas to determine whether they are, or are not, engaged in that Traffic. What is to be the position of course of Great Pritain on this momentous subject? is the great of subject? is the great of subject? In the prestion which we are anxiously asking. Too suddenly, your Government seems to have yielded the Right of Visit & Search, at the blusteins, bullying demands of the New orleans fillibusters, as your Saturday Review well says.

It may be, that according to principles of International Law, as your Crown Adviser, Lay, there is no legal right wherip in any nation to visit the ships of another power. But it follow from this that they may visit no refsel, which chooses to houst the flag of another power? Of course not; for, if such were the fact, Great Fritain would be utterly porwerless to prevent her own subjects and her own ships from engaging in the African Slave Frade. Yes how she is to do this, on the ground now taken by your government upon the advice of the Crown lawyers. Tupposant that Thips should again be built by British capital, manned by British Seamen, and sail from your ports, osterioly in a lawful business, but bye I bye at some Cuban, or other American, port repit as & slavers, and with the same owners, and the same (or a different) crew, proceed to the Coast of Africa and fill their holds with their live African cargoes again, as in those palmy days of the last century, whather Fraceedrig on their return Voyage to Cuba, - or Texas, - or the Melsifs uppi river, they meet a British man of mar; of course they have provided themes class with a complete and handsome det of American

Colours, and they instantly, at the first gun from the man of mur, horst them Conspicuously. Turely there is nothing infrobable, nor unlikely to happen, in this Supposition. What follows? My - the British man-of-war hauls off, - does her not! He must, according to the advice of your Grown - lawyers, and the present Ministry, if we rightly understand it here. They onan-d-war is not to be allowed to overhand that slave-ship, nor Lend a snigle man to board her, because the American flag floats over her. Incha doctrine is suicidal; it opens the Whole tea ocean to privates and maranders of the worst description, and Danner should for an initant in the eye of reason or right or common sense. If it is lair, it must be superseded, and better law be found on made. Inch will be the universal tout? - not perhaps, however, until the sea is Swarming again nith buccaneers and red vovers, and none can sail the leas with Safety, and all commerce is reduced to running the gauntlet of pirate-crews, -To be sure me are told that your Government proposes to appeal to the Government of the Miled States not to allow their

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flag to be disgraced by being made Cover for the Mican Slave Trade. - I coul hope, for England's honour, that she more Stoop to no such appeal, Will the Amen Government regard pay any regard to Such an appeal, when it has no impulse itself to protect its flag from this shaw Or videed can any deeper Shisgrace be as to the flag, which is even now the symbo of the bondage of four millions of human beings of all colors & ages, & both sexes, and the please that all who are united under it will your at any moment to trample to death any effort of those slav to obtain their makenable right, and reduce them again to slavery and chain - If such is the position of the English Gover: ment, Heaven grant it may soon be supe seded by a Ministry which better understa the honor of the Enfine, the heart of the Tovereign, and the will and principles of your People. If Great Britain is pledge to any thing, before God & the nations, it is i the Suppression of the African Slave Frade on to If High Seas. In this work she has noby contend has given her strengthe and her wealth, - and. met with glorious success. Let her then n the men, in Parliament, or in Ministerial place or in Editorial Chairs, who would betray her hon mess of pottage. We look ony only but calmy by